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## EMPLOYMENT

Department of Political Science, John Brown University	2016 – present
Department of Government, Eastern Kentucky University	2014-2016
School of Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences, University of Washington-Tacoma	2013-2014

## EDUCATION

<b>Southern Illinois University</b> , Carbondale, IL Ph.D., Political Science Fields: Public Law, American Politics & Government	2013
<b>George Fox University</b> , Newberg, OR B.A., Political Science ( <i>Magna cum laude</i> )	2008

## PUBLICATIONS

### Book

Bennett, Daniel. 2017. *Defending Faith: The Politics of the Christian Conservative Legal Movement*. Lawrence: University Press of Kansas.  
Reviewed in *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion, Perspectives on Politics, Politics and Religion*, and *Reading Religion*

### Articles & Book Chapters

Bennett, Daniel. 2018. "A Match Made in Heaven? Linking Christian Legal Advocacy with Conservative Politics." In *The Evangelical Crackup? The Future of the Evangelical-Republican Coalition*. Paul A. Djupe and Ryan L. Claassen, eds. Philadelphia: Temple University Press. 222-239.

Habel, Philip, Daniel Bennett, Shane Gleason, and Scott Comparato. 2015. "The Implications of Salary for the Quality of Nominations to the Federal Courts, 1964-2012." *Justice System Journal* 36 (4): 323-340.

Bennett, Daniel. 2014. "Serving God by Shaping Law: Religious Legal Advocacy in the United States." In *Mediating Religion and Government: Political Institutions and the Policy Process*. Elizabeth Oldmixon and Kevin den Dulk, eds. New York: Palgrave Macmillan. 83-108.

Mulligan, Ken, J. Tobin Grant, and Daniel Bennett. 2013. "The Dynamics of Public Opinion on Cultural Policy Issues in the U.S., 1972-2010." *Political Behavior* 35 (4): 807-829.

Bennett, Daniel. 2013. "Supreme Court Nominations: A Case for Senate Submission to a Presidential Prerogative." *American Government*. ABC-CLIO. Online edition.

## **Book Reviews**

Bennett, Daniel. 2018. *When Free Exercise and Nonestablishment Conflict*, by Kent Greenawalt. *Politics and Religion* 11 (3): 701-704.

Bennett, Daniel. 2016. *Ideas with Consequences: The Federalist Society and the Conservative Counterrevolution*, by Amanda Hollis-Brusky. *Political Science Quarterly* 131 (1): 187-188.

Bennett, Daniel. 2015. *The Politics of Evangelical Identity: Local Churches and Partisan Divides in the United States and Canada*, by Lydia Bean. *Journal of Church and State* 57 (3): 590-591. 2015.

Bennett, Daniel. 2014. *An Unusual Relationship: Evangelical Christians and Jews*, by Yaakov Ariel. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 53 (1): 221-223. 2014.

Bennett, Daniel. 2012. *Honoring God in Red or Blue: Approaching Politics with Grace, Humility, and Reason*, by Amy Black. *Christians in Political Science* 4 (2): 2.

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

"Polarizing Rights? Public Opinion on Constitutional Protections." Article in progress (with Logan Strother).

"How Conservative Legal Advocacy Groups Understand Religious Liberty." Article in progress.

*Religious Accommodations: A Comparative Perspective*. Edited volume in progress (with Jennifer Walsh).

## **PRESENTATIONS AND TALKS**

### **Recent Presentations**

June 2019	Law and Society Association, Washington, DC.
April 2019	Western Political Science Association, San Diego, CA.
April 2019	Henry Symposium on Religion and Public Life, Grand Rapids, MI.
June 2018	Christians in Political Science, Lookout Mountain, GA.
June 2017	Law and Society Association, Mexico City, Mexico.

April 2017 Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, BC, Canada.  
April 2016 Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

### **Invited Talks**

December 2017 Department of Politics, George Fox University, Newberg, OR.  
November 2017 Faculty Scholarship Series, John Brown University, Siloam Springs, AR.  
November 2017 Taft Research Center, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH.

### **COMMENTARY**

Founding Contributor, *Religion in Public* (2017 – present).

“Which Americans support the Second Amendment? The answer depends on whether whites or blacks have the guns.” November 24, 2018. *The Monkey Cage* (*The Washington Post*), with Logan Strother.

“Brett Kavanaugh, Christian conservatives, and the Art of the Deal.” September 4, 2018. *Religion and Politics*, Danforth Center on Religion and Politics (Washington University in St. Louis).

“These are the conservative legal groups behind the Masterpiece Cakeshop case.” December 5, 2017. *The Monkey Cage* (*The Washington Post*).

“Masterpiece Cakeshop: Meet the Christian Legal Group Behind the High-Profile Court Case.” September 19, 2017. *Religion and Politics*, Danforth Center on Religion and Politics (Washington University in St. Louis).

“The Rise of Christian Conservative Legal Organizations.” June 10 2015. *Religion and Politics*, Danforth Center on Religion and Politics (Washington University in St. Louis).

Contributor, *Corner of Church and State* (2014 – 2016).

Guest, Pilgrim Radio’s “His People,” October 15, 2018

Guest, WEKU’s “Eastern Standard,” September 12, 2015.

Guest, WORD-FM, April 29, 2015.

Cited in the Associated Press, *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post*, *Lexington Herald-Leader*, *Orlando Sentinel*, *Deseret News*, *Newsweek*, *Salon*, and more.

### **AWARDS & HONORS**

Summer Scholars Fellowship, John Brown University, 2019-2021 (\$13,500).

Lee Balzer Lecture, John Brown University, September 2018 (\$500).

Summer Professional Development Grant, John Brown University, Summer 2018 (\$1,273).

Summer Professional Development Grant, John Brown University, Summer 2017 (\$1,480).

University Funded Scholarship Mini Grant, Eastern Kentucky University, Summer 2016 (\$1,478) – declined.

President's Scholarship and Research Fund Award, Eastern Kentucky University, Spring 2016 (\$500).

Junior Faculty Summer Research Award, College of Arts and Sciences, Eastern Kentucky University, Summer 2015 (\$4,500).

Early Career Workshop Grant, Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Seattle, WA, May 2015 (\$250).

Graduate Student Workshop Grant, Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Boston, MA, May 2013 (\$250).

Pass with Distinction, Field Examinations, Southern Illinois University, 2012.

Best Paper Award, *Kalos: The Undergraduate Journal of George Fox University*, April 2008 (\$50).

Richter Memorial Fund Research Grant, George Fox University, Summer 2007 (\$3,700).

#### **PROFESSIONAL AND INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE**

President, Christians in Political Science (2018 – present)

Vice President (2016-2018)

Chair, Institutional Review Board, John Brown University (2018 – present)

Core Curriculum Committee, John Brown University (2018 – present)

Campus Diversity Committee, John Brown University (2017 – present)

Pre-law Adviser, John Brown University (2017 – present)

Kenneth D. Wald Award Committee, American Political Science Association (2019)

Chair, Aaron Wildavsky Award Committee, American Political Science Association (2018)

Panel Discussant, Southern Political Science Association (2018)

Student Paper Prize Committee, Law and Society Association (2016)

Manuscript Referee

*Politics and Religion; Law and Social Inquiry; Communication and Society; Law and Society Review; Political Research Quarterly; Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Political Science Association (Politics & Religion Organized Section)

Law and Society Association (Law & Social Movements Collaborative Research Network)

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

Christians in Political Science

#### **OTHER EXPERIENCE**

Mentor, Study of the U.S. Institute, Southern Illinois University, Summer 2013.

Editorial Assistant, *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 2011 – 2012.

#### **REFERENCES**

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